AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1-3, 5, 6, 11-14, 16-19, and 24-27, and cancel claims 10 and 28-32

without prejudice or disclaimer of further prosecution of their underlying subject matter. A

complete listing of all pending claims with parenthetical indication of the status is presented as

follows.

1.   (Currently Amended) A communication system comprising:

line connection means for connecting lines between communication terminal

devices;

communication management means for managing communication between the

communication terminal devices through said line connection means;

information supply means for supplying ~~distribution~~ advertisement information to

said communication management means;

information distribution means, provided in said communication management

means, for distributing the ~~distribution~~ advertisement information to a corresponding

communication terminal device; and

privilege assignment means, provided in said communication management

means, for assigning a privilege to a user of the communication terminal device to which the

~~distribution~~ advertisement information is distributed,

wherein said corresponding communication terminal device comprises keyword

extraction means for extracting a keyword by recognizing a voice of said user, wherein the

keyword is used by said user in a conversation with another user, and

wherein said information distribution means selects ~~corresponding distribution~~ a

particular advertisement information from among plural pieces of said ~~distribution~~ advertisement

information based on an extraction result by said keyword extraction means, and supplies said ~~distribution~~ particular advertisement information to said corresponding communication terminal device.

2.   (Currently Amended) The communication system according to claim 1 wherein said privilege assignment means assigns a privilege after said ~~distribution~~ particular advertisement information is confirmed to have been browsed or viewed by a user of the communication terminal device.

3.   (Currently Amended) A communication management system for managing communication between communication terminal devices, said system comprising:

information distribution means for distributing ~~distribution~~ advertisement information to said communication terminal devices to which communication lines are connected; and

privilege assignment means for assigning a privilege to a user of one of said communication terminal devices to which the ~~distribution~~ advertisement information is distributed,

wherein said corresponding communication terminal device comprises keyword extraction means for extracting a keyword by recognizing a voice of said user, wherein the keyword is used by said user in a conversation with another user, and

wherein said information distribution means selects ~~corresponding distribution~~ a particular advertisement information from among plural pieces of said ~~distribution~~ advertisement information based on an extraction result by said keyword extraction means, and supplies said ~~distribution~~ the particular advertisement information to said communication terminal device.

4.   (Original) The communication management system according to claim 3 wherein said communication terminal device is a telephone.

5.   (Currently Amended) The communication management system according to claim 3 wherein said information distribution means distributes said ~~distribution~~ advertisement information by temporarily suspending the communication while said communication terminal device is communicating.

6.   (Currently Amended) The communication management system according to claim 3 wherein said information distribution means ~~distributes the distribution~~ supplies the particular advertisement information in parallel with voice information in said communication while said communication terminal device is communicating.

7.   (Canceled).

8.   (Canceled).

9.   (Previously Presented)   The communication management system according to claim 3, further comprising position detection means for detecting a position of said user.

10.   (Canceled).

11.   (Currently Amended) A communication management method for managing communication between communication terminal devices, said method comprising:

        a first step of distributing ~~distribution~~ advertisement information to said communication terminal devices to which communication lines are connected; and

        a second step of assigning a privilege to a user of one of said communication terminal devices to which the ~~distribution~~ advertisement information is distributed,

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wherein said communication terminal is a telephone, and in said first step, after extracting a predetermined keyword by recognizing voice in a conversation of said user between said telephones, wherein the predetermined keyword is used by said user in the conversation with another user, ~~distribution~~ a particular advertisement information is selected from among plural pieces of said ~~distribution~~ advertisement information based on the extraction result, and the ~~distribution~~ particular advertisement information is distributed to said communication terminal device.

12.   (Currently Amended) The communication management method according to claim 11 wherein in said second step, after said ~~distribution~~ particular advertisement information is confirmed to have been browsed or viewed by the user of said communication terminal device, a privilege is assigned according to the confirmation.

13.   (Currently Amended) The communication management method according to claim 11 wherein said communication terminal device is a telephone; and in said first step, said ~~distribution~~ advertisement information is distributed by temporarily suspending the communication during the communication between the telephones.

14.   (Currently Amended) The communication management method according to claim 11 wherein said communication terminal device is a telephone; and in said first step, said ~~distribution~~ particular advertisement information is distributed in parallel with voice information in the communication during the communication between the telephones.

15.   (Canceled).

16.   (Currently Amended) The communication management method according to claim 11 wherein in said first step, after detecting a position of said user, corresponding

~~distribution~~ advertisement information is selected from among plural pieces of said ~~distribution~~

advertisement information based on the detected position, and the ~~distribution~~ corresponding

advertisement information is distributed to said communication terminal device.

17.   (Currently Amended) A communication system comprising:

plural communication terminal devices for communicating with each other via a

channel;

information supplying means for supplying advertisement information to a

designated communication terminal device among said communication terminal devices; and

privilege assignment means for, after being notified through a notification by said

communication terminal device that said advertisement information is confirmed by a user of

said communication terminal device, assigning a privilege to the notification of said

communication terminal device,

wherein said information supplying means comprises keyword extracting means

for, while recognizing content of said communication from said communication terminal device,

selectively extracting a keyword contained in said communication contents, wherein said

keyword is used by a user of a corresponding communication terminal device from the plural

communication terminal devices in a conversation with another user, and wherein based on the

keyword extracted by the keyword extracting means, supplying a particular advertisement

information corresponding to said keyword to ~~a~~ the corresponding communication terminal

device.

18.   (Currently Amended) The communication system according to claim 17 wherein

said information supplying means comprises means for recording a distribution history of said

supplied <u>advertisement</u> information, and means for updating said distribution history when

notified by said designated communication terminal device.

19.   (Currently Amended) The communication system according to claim 17 wherein

said information supplying means temporarily suspends communication of at least one of said

communication terminal devices after communication starts and supplies said <u>advertisement</u>

information during said suspended period, or supplies said <u>advertisement</u> information in

synchronization with said communication or after said communication.

20.   (Currently Amended) The communication system according to claim 17 wherein

said communication terminal device for, when said <u>advertisement</u> information is supplied from

said information supplying means, outputting a notification of said information as confirmation

information based on at least one of a predetermined operation and a voice that is inputted

externally.

21.   (Canceled).

22.   (Previously Presented) The communication system according to claim 17

wherein said communication terminal device further comprises outputting means for outputting

language information based on the keyword extracted by the keyword extracting means to said

information supplying means, wherein said information supplying means supplies information

corresponding to said language information given from said communication terminal device to a

corresponding communication terminal device.

23.   (Previously Presented) The communication system according to claim 17

wherein said information supplying means comprises position detection means for detecting a

position of a designated communication terminal device, and based on the position information

given from the position detection means supplies information corresponding to said position

information to a corresponding communication terminal device.

24.   (Currently Amended) The communication system according to claim 17 wherein

said communication terminal device comprises position detection means for detecting a position

of said communication terminal device, and means for outputting position information detected

by the position detection means to said information supplying means; and said information

supplying means, based on the position information given from said communication terminal

device, supplies <u>advertisement</u> information corresponding to said position information to a

corresponding communication terminal device.

25.   (Currently Amended) A communication management method for managing

communications of a communication terminal device connected via a channel, said method

comprising the steps of:

supplying <u>advertisement</u> information via the channel corresponding to said

communication terminal device to a designated communication terminal device; and

receiving a confirmation result that said information supplied from said

communication terminal device has been confirmed,

wherein the step of supplying information includes recognizing content of a

communication sent over the channel, selectively extracting a keyword from the content of said

communication, <u>wherein said content comprises a conversation between users connected via the</u>

<u>channel,</u> outputting language information based on the extracted keyword; and supplying <u>a</u>

<u>particular advertisement</u> information corresponding to said language information given from said

communication terminal device to said designated communication terminal device.

26.   (Currently Amended) The communication management method according to
claim 25 wherein in said step of supplying <u>advertisement</u> information, a distribution history of
said <u>advertisement</u> information is stored, and in said step of receiving the confirmation result,
said distribution history is updated when said confirmation result is received from said
designated communication terminal device.

27.   (Currently Amended) The communication management method according to
claim 25 wherein said communication terminal device, when said <u>particular advertisement</u>
information is supplied, outputs a confirmation result of said information as confirmation
information based on at least one of a predetermined operation and a voice that is inputted
externally.

28.   (Canceled).

29.   (Canceled).

30.   (Canceled).

31.   (Canceled).

32.   (Canceled).